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**Note: New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters), and must register in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). In addition, all Vendors must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.**

FV-303

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: June 4, 2008

Frozen Vegetables, Announcement FV-303, Invitation 044

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell frozen vegetables as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in child nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. **Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Wednesday, June 18, 2008.**

Acceptances will be announced by midnight, July 8, 2008. Deliveries are to be made from September 1, 2008 through November 15, 2008.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Sweet Potatoes, Random Cut	6/5 lb ctn	3,960 cases
Sweet Potatoes, Mashed	6/5 lb ctn	6,600 cases

**No offer will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.**

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

**Destinations with split shipments that are unspecified on the invitation are indicated by a single asterisk (\*).**

All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring this special marking will be indicated by (\*\*). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an Invitation.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.



**Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract.** Inquiries about Announcement FV-303; Appendix-1; the Commodity Specification for Canned Vegetables dated April 2004, as amended; or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-0239, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-303, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV303  
 INVITATION : 044  
 COMM GROUP : 39 VEGETABLES, FROZEN  
 COMM TYPE : 70 SWEET POTATOES, RANDOM CUT, FRZ  
 PACK SIZE : 40 6/5 LB PKG

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/08 - 10/15/08					
001	CREEDMOOR	NC	TRUCK ONLY	949	
	SALISBURY	NC	TRUCK ONLY	371	
DELIVERY PERIOD 11/01/08 - 11/15/08					
002	ALTOONA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	990	
	WILKES-BARRE	PA	TRUCK ONLY	330	
003	COAL TOWNSHIP	PA	TRUCK ONLY	660	
	PHILADELPHIA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	660	

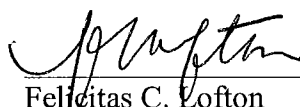
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 3,960

COMM TYPE : 71 SWEET POTATOES, MASHED, FROZEN  
 PACK SIZE : 40 6/5 LB PKG

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
DELIVERY PERIOD 09/01/08 - 09/15/08					
004	BOLINGBROOK	IL	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	
DELIVERY PERIOD 09/16/08 - 09/30/08					
005	JACKSON	MS	TRUCK ONLY	2,640	

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DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/08 - 10/15/08					
006	FORT MILL	SC	TRUCK ONLY	155	_____
	LEXINGTON	SC		1,165	
DELIVERY PERIOD 11/01/08 - 11/15/08					
007	BOLINGBROOK	IL	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				6,600	
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION				10,560	



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 Commodity Procurement Branch  
 Fruit and Vegetable Programs

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